Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know whether the Revenue Copyists are treated as Government servants?

Mr. K. George: They are treated practically as piece-workers who are paid wages for their out-turn of work every day.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know, are they entitled to take leave just like the other employees of Government?

Mr. K. George: No.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know whether the whole amount realised as copying fees is distributed to various copyists? Am I to take it that Government do not make profit out of it?

Mr. K. George: One-fourth of the amount realised as copying fees is utilised for expenses towards stationery items.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: What is the nature and value of the expenses incurred towards the stationery item?

Mr. K. George: Writing-paper, pencil, ink etc.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: Is not writing-paper supplied by the party concerned?

Mr. K. George: I believe so.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know why are the amounts paid to each copyist varying in certain divisions?

Mr. K. George: It is due to the fact there is more work in certain divisions.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: It was stated by the member that three-fourths of the amounts realised as copying fees in Taluk offices is paid to the copyists. Then may I know whether in the same division there is equal distribution of the amount realised to all the copyists?

Mr. K. George: Yes, there is equal distribution of the amounts to all the parties concerned in the same taluk.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know whether there is necessity for a large number of copyists in a particular division when the amount realised there is only proportionately small in comparison with other places?

Mr. K. George: That question is being examined.

Bridge to the east of the Idapalli market.

9. ***Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the bridge (called Kallupalam) to the east of the Idapally market is completely destroyed and wrecked;

(*b*) if so, how long it is since that bridge was destroyed;

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Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar.]

(*c*) whether they have received petitions from the inhabitants of Idapally about the dangerous condition of the said bridge ; and

(*d*) if so, when such petition was received and what action was taken by them on the same ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : (*a*) No ; but the platform of the bridge was in disrepair.

(*b*) Since 1106 M. E. the platform of the bridge was in disrepair.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) In 1931 A. D. The platform of the bridge was completely renewed in 1108 M. E.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : May I know whether the bridge is now opened to vehicular traffic ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : No.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : May I know why it has not been opened to that traffic when it is seen that it was repaired in 1108 ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : My information is that it is only a foot bridge.

Amount spent for construction of the Ambalapuzha-Tiruvalla road.

10. ***Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the amount that has been spent in 1113 towards the construction of the Ambalapuzha—Tiruvalla road out of the amount of Rs. 6,000 sanctioned in the budget for the year 1113 ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : Rs. 573.

Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar : May I know the reason why, out of six thousand rupees allotted in the budget, only a sum of Rs. 573 was spent towards the construction of the road ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : That is only booked expenditure. More work has been done but expenditure for the same has not yet been booked.

Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar : May I know when the work is expected to be completed ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : I claim notice.

Government Dispensary at Kalavoor.

11. ***Mr. M. S. Anirudhan** (*Karunagapalli, Kartikapalli and Ambalapuzha cum Shertala*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

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